MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE B. BURKE   OCTOBER 24, 2006

AMENDMENT TO ITEM #19

In June 2006, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk implemented InkaVote Plus, an enhancement to the InkaVote voting system used by Los Angeles County since 2003 to comply with the 2002 Help America Vote Act. The InkaVote Plus voting system utilizes a precinct ballot reader which checks ballots for over votes and under votes, allowing the voter a second chance to correct his/her ballot, insuring that their vote is properly reflected. The InkaVote Plus system also includes an audio ballot booth which allows voters with visually impairments or limited English skills an equal opportunity to participate in the election process.

The InkaVote Plus voting system has gone through rigorous testing and has been certified by the Office of the Secretary of State, yet there has been some scrutiny about the accuracy and security of the system. Beyond the statutorily required random manual count of 1% of all voting precincts, we believe it is in the public interest to

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identify opportunities beyond those required by state election code to demonstrate the transparency and integrity of Los Angeles County's voting system.

I, THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Instruct the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to:

1. Randomly select no fewer than 5% of the designated snap tally precincts to be manually counted and compared to the snap tally results produced on election night and the **electronic vote count** for those same precincts, with this manual count to be conducted during, but separate from, the statutorily required random manual count of 1% of all voting precincts; and

2. Report back to the Board with the findings of the manual count by December 5, 2006, the statutory deadline for the official election certification.

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